Sub B1

1. (Amended) A mounting arrangement, comprising:

a fuel rail;

a fuel injector cup connected to the fuel rail, the fuel injector cup having a fuel communication area defining a longitudinal axis, a fuel rail mounting section, and a retaining surface;

a fuel injector including a fuel metering end and a fuel outlet end, the fuel inlet end being exposed to the communication area; and

a fastener that secures the fuel injector to the fuel injector cup and allows the fuel injector to reciprocate along the longitudinal axis of the fuel injector cup, wherein the fastener limits reciprocation of the fuel injector along the longitudinal axis in a direction toward the fuel injector cup and away from the fuel injector cup.

Sub B4

8. (Amended) A mounting arrangement, comprising:

a fuel rail;

a plurality of fuel injector cups connected to the fuel rail, each of the fuel injector cups including a cylindrical tube defining a longitudinal axis, a fuel rail mounting section disposed at a first end of the tube, and a lip at a second end of the tube;

a plurality of fuel [injector] injectors, each fuel injector corresponding to one of the plurality of fuel injector cups, each fuel injector having a housing including a fuel metering end, a fuel inlet end, and a retention groove, the fuel inlet end of the fuel injector

[16] being disposed within the cylindrical tube of the fuel injection cup; and

a clip that engages both the lip of the fuel injector cup and the retention groove in the housing of the fuel injector to secure the fuel injector to the fuel injector cup and allow the fuel injector to reciprocate along the longitudinal axis extending through the cylindrical tube of the fuel injector cup, wherein the clip limits reciprocation of the fuel injector along the longitudinal axis in a direction toward the fuel injector cup and away from the fuel injector cup.

12. (Amended) A clip for securing a fuel injector to a fuel injector cup on a fuel rail, the fuel injector having a housing with a retention groove, and the fuel injector cup having a lip, the clip comprising:

a wall having a first end and a second end;

a first leg projecting from the first end of the wall, the first leg including a first tab and a first window; and

a second leg projecting from the second end of the wall, the first leg and the second leg being substantially parallel, the second leg including a second tab and a second window;

wherein the first tab and the second tab have a corresponding mating surface configuration adapted to engage the retention groove in the housing of the fuel injector; and

wherein the first window and the second window each have a substantially similar frame adapted to engage the lip of the fuel injector cup, each of the frames having a

pair of landing edges extending along the corresponding leg, the pair of landing edges on each of the frames being spaced so that engagement of one of the landing edges with the lip of the fuel injector cup is exclusive of engagement of the lip of the fuel injector cup with the other of the landing edges so that the one of the landing edges limits the reciprocation of the fuel injector along the longitudinal axis in the direction toward the fuel injector cup and the other one of the landing edges limits reciprocation of the fuel injector along the longitudinal axis in the direction away from the fuel injector cup.

Sub B6 15. (Amended) A method of mounting a fuel injector to a fuel injector cup on a fuel rail so that the fuel injector is secured to the fuel injector cup and the fuel injector can be positioned along a longitudinal axis defined by the fuel injector cup, the method comprising:

providing a fuel rail with at least one fuel injector cup, the at least one fuel injector cup including a retaining surface;

locating at least one fuel injector proximate the at least one fuel injector cup, the at least one fuel injector having a housing with a retention groove; and

securing the at least one fuel injector to the at least one fuel injector cup with a fastener that engages both the retention surface of the fuel injector cup and the retention groove in the housing of the fuel injector, wherein the clip limits reciprocation of the fuel injector along the longitudinal axis in a direction toward the fuel injector cup and away from the fuel injector cup.